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### Bible Thoughts for Today

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When power, and what commission did Justo give his 12 spoules when he sent them forth:
-- Matt. 18 1-15.

### THE KLAN OATH DISCUSSED.

Mr. G. S. Vorbees, contributing to the Baronelec of Public Opinion Friday, suggested that such a department ought to be a good place to discuss the kian eath. The space was gladly accorded him for his views, and the invitation to discuss this very unusual obligation is ac-

Another contributor less sincers and straightforward than Mr. Verbres, signing himself merely "A Republican" while disclaiming membership in the klan conferses such a rapturous admiration for it and such a tware of give at Its demonstration of political domination in Tulsa county in the recent primary as to justify the suspicion that he dissembles concerning his relationship to the organization quite as much as concerning his own identity.

It was an unhappy coincidence that almost at the very time these men were writing their eulegies of the klim oath, pointing out its unfaltering devotion to the government and the constitution and denying that it had ever been guilty of the crimes charged against it by Mr. X. Y. Z. of Henryetta, that the klan should be holding, in official garb, a "court" in absolute violation of the most cherished provisions of the constitution and in defiance of that orderly government which pretense is made of

Since this "court" proceeding was described in a most detailed manner by the local official organ of the klan, and since it was specifically stated that it was conducted by the klan, no such academic uncertainty concerning the klan's responsibility prevails in this case as in the hundreds of other similar cases which have made Tulsa notorious during the past 18 months.

"A Republican" whose contribution appears in the Barometer column of this issue, lays great stress on that portlop of the klan eath pledging loyalty to law and constitutional form. and obligating the neophyte to observe the mandate of state and national authority above all

An admirable provision, to be sure. But, unfortunately, actions speak louder than words. What is to be said of this obligation sedemaly assumed in the face of such a flagrant violation of law and flouting of constitutional provisions as was practiced by the klan in its midnight court held west of Tuisa, when some halfdozen citizens had their constitutional rights trampled under foot while the klansmen further violated law by impersonating officers of the law, further defied government by taking the punishment of fellow chizens into their own hands and ignoring the legally constituted means set up by the people as a whole?

The constitution of the United States specifically mays that the government and the courts shall presume every citizen innocent until proven guilty; that a citizen accused of a misdemeanor or crime shall be faced in open court by his accusers and have the right to question said accusers; that he shall be tried by a jury composed of 12 pears; that the verdict of this jury must be unanimous before such citizen can be adjudged guilty; that when he is found guilty he shall not be visited with punishment unusually severe.

For the attainment of these rights bumanity fought for centuries, and they are essential to the maintenance of a just government adminintered without forfeiting the necessary freedom and liberty of the individual. All of these specific rights, guaranteed to every citizen of the republic by the federal constitution, which in turn is the corner stone of every state severeignty, were entraged, set aside, tenored and violated by the kinn in its midnight court so: graphically described by its local organ.

In the circumstances, then, is it not grorequely abourd to stress that provision of the organization's onth which pledges the accurry to upheld the constitution and aboy the mandates. of the civil authorities? We submit there can be but one answer to this, an instant admission that the practice is diametrically opposed to the unmistakable wouldng of the obligation.

Then how shall this be attraunted for? In the eath, of course. Nor do we have far to seek It Is discovered in that provision of the oath which obligates the neophyte to unquestioning phedience to the imperial wirard, both in respect to law; regulations, orders and customs at the time existing as well as those which may at any future time he issued.

Here is an abandonment of the rights, priv-Heges and obligations of American citizenship. which staggers the imagination. How does it come that freemen and the sons of patriots will thing but his own per organization. The gavvoluntarily pass under a yoke of complete ernment is wrong, the railway owners are vassalage to an imperial system as complete and | wrong and the public is wrong, especially the degrading as was ever imposed by the kings from which out forefathers rebelled?

And having thus foresworn themselves com- | are about as wrong as anything.

pletely, having thus signed away their birthnight of liberty and freedom of antion, is it not apparent that the membership of such an organtzation is in the position of being compelled to accept the imperial materiy's definition of americalism or that of some one or more of his underlings who have been ruleed to authorsty for the purpose of representing him and enforcing his decrees?

Let it be instancly admitted that many of the revisions of the obligation bespeak devotion to the purest Americanism, but let the admission. be followed by a question; Why should an Asserban citizen, by birth or naturalization the help of both these privileges and obligations contribute to an imperial-treasury in or der to bolleve such things, or forfely his settenthe accordancy, or any portion of it, he becomhe a prove of monumery and mysticiant And ist the sacres be made to the question from where comes the authority arrogantly assumed by this organization to usurn the course and the buildings and inflict punishment apon Associates differential etter defined at the concitation which it makes gesture of revering middenvine?.

Thus is a vital purestion, it goes to the vars loant of American citizenship and American instilutions. In ft not clearly apparent that, like the rebellion of the southern states, if it justifice such right by mere brute force and mystery, it has paved the certain way for its own destruction; because if a government of mystery and fear can be set up and maintained within this government of law and ilberry that we have niways defended jestously, then other covernments of fear and mystery and wime may to set up within its own membership or outdo its membership and as a means of defense or coprisal account it.

Will deckel be made of the charge that hundreds of members of the klan in Tulsa county violate the liquor law every day just as completely and indefensibly as did the poor, ignorant defectives who were denied their conatitutional rights the other night? Will it be denied that assembled in that court and voting to inflict the "unusual punishment" sans law, sans justice, sans charity and sans every. other constitutional or Christian attribute, there were men with liquor in their homes, men who had patronized the illicit figuor dealer within the week past, and men, even, with illicit liquor. in their belies?

The federal constantion, which the klan eath obligates its members to defend and respect, took from the private citizen every right to sperce, every right to inflict qualshment, every right to pass judgment on his fellows, and lodged them in the constituted government. It is as much a violation of law for the kian to hold Its "courts" as for the frenzied mob to wrest from the hands of duly constituted authority some hapless victim who has abandoned himself to the baser passions of mon. It is as much a crime for a citizen to be kidnaped and lashed or tacred and feathered, no matter what his offense or who the despollers of his constitutional rights, as for another to sell liquor, steal a motor car, hilack a pedestrian or violate the moral code. For each and every such act is a hand lifted against the government.

And we make hold to say that it is as disloyal to the republic, the state and the constitution, for this or any other organization to conspire among its members to conceal the identity of a criminal or prevent such criminal from falling ioto the hands of the law, as for other men and other organizations to conspire among themselves to breach a statute,

It is the persisted-in acts of the klan, not the provisions of its obligations, which incurs fear and hatred; which are a menace not only to orderly government but to tolerable human relations. No section of this land of ours can permanently or long be half obedient to the invisible empire, or any other such organization, and half obedient to the visible republic. As Lincoln said, this nation cannot remain half bond, half free.

'A Republican" writest Do you know the klan to do the things you say? If you do, it is your privilege as a citizen to bring charges and produce the proof."

That is fromy of the finest kind in view of this provision of the klan oath:

"I most sacredly yow and positively swear that I will never yield to bribe, fightery, threats, punishment, persecution, persuasion nor to enticement whatever coming from or offered by any person or persons, male or female, for the purpose of obtaining a secret or secret information of the Ku-Klux Kian."

Before such an oath constitutional government, in its quest for law violations and perpetrators thereof, halts dead. Why talk of "proving" the illegal actions and practices of an organization whose members are obligated to de-

It is a healthy and heartening sign, however, that adherents of this organization, such as The World's correspondents, are willing to discurs it on its merits. Regardless of a passing craze or momentary hysteria, the great mass of American citizens are sound at heart. When, as must be the case sooner or later, members of the invisible empire realize that in these nsurpations of government, they are doing a tremendous injustice, are themselves violating the law and are making life with their fellow citizens more difficult and unendurable, they will find a way to put an end to at least that phase of klanken

Then as a mere fraternal, or religious, or mysterious organization, seeking to perpetuate an ideal or to good to its own membership without inflicting an injury on others, it will pass into a realm where public condemnation will net seek to follow it.

Discussion of the subject, honest, sincere and courageous, is the host thing imaginable to reheve the tension. And, above all else, it is the real American way, for it is free speech, free thought and free press.

Mr. Jewell finds much wrong with everypress. What a surprise it would be to Mr. Jewell to discover that he and his own cause DOUBTLESS THE LORD ORDERED IT.

Another minister of the gospel, or posing as such, has abandoned his lawfully wedded wife and legally bern children, stolen money entrusted to his care and "Ilt out" with a physically attractive female of appealing years.

This time the incident occurred in Oklahoma. The place was Hartshorn and the man's name is Trotter-Reverend Trotter by custom rather than fitness. The gentleman was apprenented in a distant town with his paramour. He ianguishes in jell while the physically appealing female proudly admits improper relations with the "good man" and declares her intention to wick by him to the end. She won't; but that is not the point. Hhe will respond to the next animal urge and leave the dominic in the furth; but that is not the point either.

The point is this; Unless and until pulpitions grove themselves above these ago-old temptations, pulpiteers are not spoint to have a tremendous appeal to just common folk who have The sices of the gentleman yet are as far shows the scrives of a cod and politroon as the skies are above the earth.

Doubtless Reverend Trutter was a member of the anti-salona league, called people was druck a stimulant, children of the Nevil, and did one and sandry the things which cloak succorefully a hyporrise of the first water. Doubtless he will also plead that what he did was the Lord's will, the information coming to him DELTA CASHIOLIN

But the fact remains that he and ministers like him are crucifying the Christ annu every day of their indefensible fives.

## Barometer of Public Opinion

"A Republican" on the Klan.

Editor World: As a reader of your paper for everal years, sometimes agreeing with you and ometimes not, I ask you to publish this, thereby showing me the same favor as shown X. Y. Z. of Hearystia in this morning issue. I like X. Y. Z. am not a klansman, but I am not condemning some organization I know nothing of and I think to answer X. Y. Z. would be to ask him this question. Do you know the klan to sto the things you say? If you do it's your privilege as a sitizen to bring charges and produce the proof. As for myself, after reading the each of allesiance as published in The World this morning, I am seeking membership in the klan. I never before read so strong an appeal for uphodding of the laws and constituted authority. Where else has one read such an appeal to real Americans to stand by this government above any other. The minds that composed this eath surely must have been the showing me the same favor as shown X. Y. Z. The first blook produced as all one of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and constructions are produced as a second control of the conditions and control of the conditions are produced as a second control of the conditions are produced to the condition and conditions are proved to the conditions are produced to the conditions are produced



triennial general convention of the Episcopal church.

This venerable prelate alert, vigorous, hardy and as up-to-date and progressive as the youngest hishop in the church, is \$5. He is the oldest in age as well as in sorvice in the house of bishops.

Born at Windham, N. Y. he obtained his D. D. degree from Columbia in 1861. He was consecrated missionary bishop of Montana, Utah and to dad to wait a year until he could qualtable.

Total and if I tell you content in some thing will you?

"Well—he s—different from some of the follows—he—I am sure he wouldn't like a girl he thought—was went to work Lilly and Gertie wouldn't like a girl he thought—was "When you going to buy that new dress and hat you told me about, Gertie"

"That's gone to set Tim's leg."

"What'd you mean?"

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"Well I don't see as it does you much goed to earn money! You'il never he sylich it you'll never

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When he started west to take charge of the district, he was warned to wall, because Indians were on the warpath. He would not pause, and be arrived in Salt Lake City with a Bible in his pocket and a rifle across his knees while a lead of red men pursued him.

Under his administration the Eniscopal church established the first hospital built west of the Rocky mountains, and he left behind him a trail of schools and churches.

During one of his pastoral visits to Montans in 1863 a fire started in Heleng which threat-seed to wipe out the community.

send to wipe out the community.

Bishop Dan whipped off his clerical coat and got into action. Helota was saved and the town recends tell today of how three games of firefishiers saved the day under the leadership of

His work as picheer in the western country t at end Dishop Tuttle in 1886 was called to be Episcopate of Missouri, where he is living of his life amod universal veneration. He was asked to reminisce a little on his 55

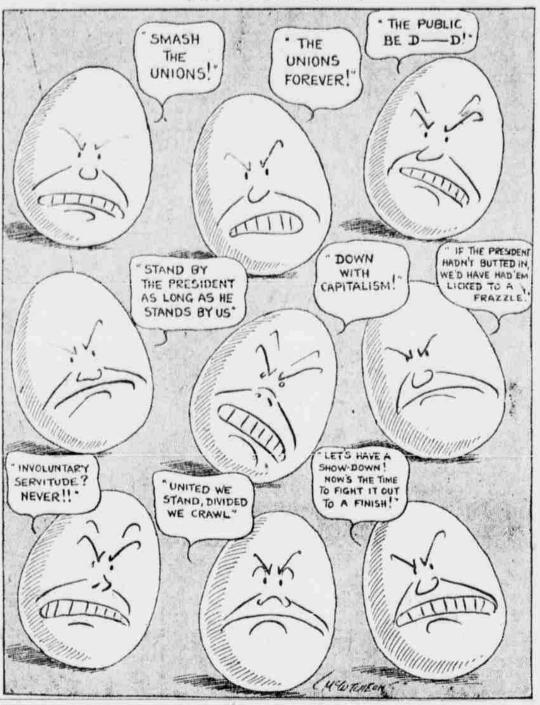
The was as a bishop.

"It is not my way to look backward." he replied promptly. "Young fellows like myself
prefer to hook forward. When I first met my
prethren in the house of bishops in 1865 there
have 40 bishops in the house in all. Now there
the 138, and of these I have consecrated 87.

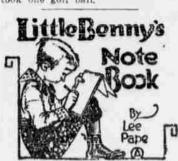
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that the sheritr celebrated the victhory he won at the primaries by
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# THERE ARE HARD BOILED ONES IN BOTH CAMPS

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Pone by Skinny Martin
They Cant Help it
Flies are jest innocent insecks
Wich come erround wen the weather
gets hotter.

to try not to feel too mad at them As you swat them with your swat-Another headline says that Beggs Dam Nearly Finished, and few

Editors See It!

tnew they were working on the town

There must be \$3 people left in hawtise because a headline says

Things You Awt to Know. The ony way to keep the sect of your pants from getting shiny is to naver set down.

Who wunts a fertle in good condition and ansering to the name of Spoart in ixchange for something sittely larger such as a dog or a goai? See Skinny Martin. (Avvariagement.

Heat rising through the honow handle of a teakettle as water is being holled its sufficient to cook food in a fryingpaa, Shawhee because a headline says that \$2 survive a Shawnee pioneer

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homa papers: This may be an awful food in a fryingpan,

The Horoscope

The stars define but do not competed by 1922 by McClure Newspaper Synd Saturday, August 19, 1922.

Mercury and Uranus are in bene-c aspect today, according to asymi-ky. Venus and the Sun are advans, it is an especially auspicious data or psympton journeys state. for beginning lourneys since they are likely to lead to new friends and pleasant adventures.

Aviation is subject to an especial-ly good rule at this time which should bring many life-saving in-ventions to aerial navigation. This is a particularly favorable sway for edvertising and publicity, but warning is given that publichers are to become difficult to manage where free insertions are to

cerned. Under this configuration women

Under this configuration women are to be politely ambilions and the seers declare that many will havely enter the fail campaign.

There is, however, a sign read as giving a woman a chance to become United States senator.

Foreign affairs will cause accurately in Washington all through this month, it is probable, for Sature is on the dusp of the seventh house. It has been prophesied that inche would are the many in high mestion and it is well for members of congress to safeguard the health at his gress to safeguard the health at his

gress to safeguard the health at this Shipping strikes again are prox-costicated and there is to be a seri-ous explosion, if the stars are read

Education is to claim much at-tention at this time and there is to be widespread propaganda that will awaken the people to their familia of omission.

Persons whose birthdate it is have the prospect of travel and change but they should be careful in busi-Children born on this day probably will be clever and sifted; but care-less and inclined to extravagance.

World Sand Springs Bureau GRACE L. KING PHONE 162

Word was received Tuesday evening that Mrs. D. H. Keller of Den-ver, Colo., sister of Mrs. J. W. Avery, east of city, and who was called to Denver a few days ago, had passed

Deriver a few days ago, had passed away at 2:30 p. m.

Mrs. H. Painter, 417 Garfield was called to Pryor Tuesday evening because of the illness of her mother.

Mrs. Austin, who has just returned to her home from this place.

The Fythian Sisters will hold a bake sale in the Adrean building, west of Second street, August 12.

The entire atembership of the First Christian church participated in a banquet held in the church participated by the city commissioners. Thesday night at a joint meeting with the committee appointed to modify the ordinance.

Cigar was in the box with plenty of smoke. Horn on first base and fiddle on second base, backed by Corn in the field, mads it hot for Umpte Apple who was ruten. Ax came to bat and chopped. Cigar let living walk and Sawdust filled the base. Song made a hit and Twenty bade a score. Cigar went our and Ballent started to pitch, but went straight up Cherry tried it but wes with old lee kept cool in the game until be was hit by a pliched ball, then yell ought to have heard fee Creage. Cabbage had a good head and kell quiet. Grass covered lots of ground in the field and the growd cherry when Spider caught the fly. Grand loafed on third and pumped Orsan, who played fast and put Light out. In the fifth unting Wind besan to have teem got new caps all alike last Satidday with a letter f on the frunt, and their playing is mutch improved airedly.

Skinny Martin is teetching his letter be anylish if you give it all to your family.

Ma's prophecy had come truethis was the third unpleasant hapening.

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They Cant Halt.

Flies are Cantinued.

In the small Italian groces of New Jersey it is the cur-tum that the clerk that takes your order is usually the same that do

ke s you ask for.'